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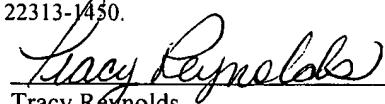
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Claim 6, Column 15, line 5, between result and form insert -- field in the second inspection --

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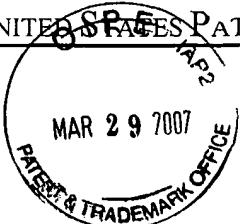
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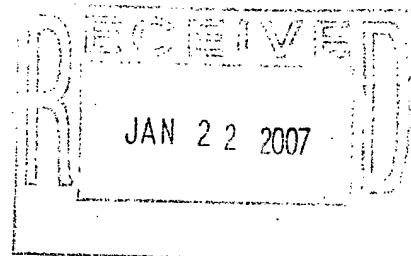
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1.  The amendment filed on 08 January 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

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- b)  entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c)  disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  
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- d)  disapproved. See explanation below.
- e)  entered in part. See explanation below.

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312**

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee(s) Due mailed on October 4, 2006. Please revise and reconsider the subject application as indicated below.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (canceled)
  2. (previously presented) The method of claim 23 wherein an attribute of the first task schedule and the project management schedule is defined by a policy specifying that a project task cannot be partially completed and wherein the steps of automatically updating the first task schedule and the project management schedule are performed in conformance with the policy.
  3. (previously presented) The method of claim 23 further comprising a step of: upon completion of a project task, storing a product of the project task in a database wherein access to the product by one or more authorized individuals is regulated.
  4. (original) The method of claim 3 wherein the step of storing the product of the project task includes the step of storing the product for accessing over a packet-based network.
  5. (original) The method of claim 3 further comprising a step of: creating a hyperlink in a Hypertext Markup Language (HTML) file for accessing the project task product.
- 6-12 (canceled)
13. (previously presented) The computer readable medium of claim 26 wherein an attribute of the first task schedule and the project management schedule is defined by a policy specifying that a project task cannot be partially completed and wherein the steps of automatically updating the first task schedule and the project management schedule are performed in conformance with the policy.

14. (previously presented) The computer readable medium of claim 26 whereupon completion of a project task, execution of the one or more sequences of instructions by one or more processors causes the one or more processors to perform a step of storing a product of the project task in a database whereby access to the product by one or more authorized individuals is regulated and provided over a packet-based network.

15-18 (canceled)

19. (previously presented) The computer system of claim 29 whereupon completion of a project task the one or more processors are further configured for storing a product of the project task in a database whereby access to the product by one or more authorized individuals is regulated and provided over a packet-based network.

20-22. (canceled)

23. (currently amended) A method for managing a project schedule, the method comprising the computer-implemented steps of:

linking a first inspection form to a first task schedule associated with a first individual assigned to perform a list of tasks represented in the first task schedule, wherein a task reference field in the first inspection form is mapped to corresponding first task schedule information in the first task schedule and wherein an inspection result field in the first inspection form is mapped to task completion information in the first task schedule;

receiving first inspection results corresponding to a completed first inspection form over a network, wherein the inspection result field in the completed first inspection form indicates whether a particular first task identified in the corresponding task reference field has passed inspection;

automatically updating the task completion information in the first task schedule based on the inspection result field in the completed first inspection form; *3 - 2007*

wherein the task completion information associated with the particular first task in the first task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular first task is completed

only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion information for the particular first task indicate that the particular first task passed respective inspections;

~~wherein the task completion information associated with the particular first task in the first task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular first task is completed only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion information for the particular first task indicate that the particular first task passed respective inspection;~~

linking the first task schedule to a corresponding project management schedule, wherein particular fields in the first task schedule are mapped to corresponding fields in the project management schedule[[],];

based on updated task completion information in the first task schedule[[;]], automatically updating corresponding aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule[[],];

linking a second inspection form to a second task schedule associated with a second individual assigned to perform a list of tasks represented in the second task schedule, wherein a task reference field in the second inspection form is mapped to corresponding second task schedule information in the second task schedule and wherein an inspection result field in the second inspection form is mapped to task completion information in the second task schedule;

linking the second task schedule to the corresponding project management schedule, wherein particular fields in the second task schedule are mapped to corresponding fields in the [[second]] project management schedule;

receiving second inspection results corresponding to a completed second inspection form over the network, wherein the inspection result field in the completed second inspection form indicates whether a particular second task identified in the corresponding task reference field has passed inspection;

automatically updating the task completion information in the second task schedule based on the inspection result field in the completed second inspection form, wherein the task completion information associated with the particular second task in the second task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular second task is

completed only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion information for the particular second task indicate that the particular second task passed respective inspections[[,]]; and  
based on updated task completion information in the second task schedule, automatically updating the corresponding aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule, wherein the aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule is based on an aggregation of the corresponding task completion information in the first and second task schedules.

24-25. (canceled)

26. (currently amended) A computer-readable medium storing one or more sequences of instructions for managing a project schedule, wherein execution of the one or more sequences of instructions by one or more processors causes the one or more processors to perform the steps of:
- linking a first inspection form to a first task schedule associated with a first individual assigned to perform a list of tasks represented in the first task schedule, wherein a task reference field in the first inspection form is mapped to corresponding first task schedule information in the first task schedule and wherein an inspection result field in the first inspection form is mapped to task completion information in the first task schedule;
- receiving first inspection results corresponding to a completed first inspection form over a network, wherein the inspection result field in the completed first inspection [[document]] form indicates whether a particular first task identified in the corresponding task reference field has passed inspection;
- automatically updating the task completion information in the first task schedule based on the inspection result field in the completed first inspection form;
- wherein the task completion information associated with the particular first task in the first task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular first task is completed only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion information for

the particular first task indicate that the particular first task passed respective inspections;

linking the first task schedule to a corresponding project management schedule, wherein particular fields in the first task schedule are mapped to corresponding fields in the project management schedule;

based on updated task completion information in the first task schedule, automatically updating corresponding aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule;

linking a second inspection form to a second task schedule associated with a second individual assigned to perform a list of tasks represented in the second task schedule, wherein a task reference field in the second inspection form is mapped to corresponding second task schedule information in the second task schedule and wherein an inspection result field in the second inspection form is mapped to task [[schedule]] completion information in the second task schedule;

linking the second task schedule to the corresponding project management schedule, wherein particular fields in the second task schedule are mapped to corresponding fields in project management schedule;

receiving second inspection results corresponding to a completed second inspection form over the network, wherein the inspection result field in the completed second inspection form indicates whether a particular second task identified in the corresponding task reference field has passed inspection;

automatically updating the task completion information in the second task schedule based on the inspection result field in the completed second inspection form; wherein the task completion information associated with the particular second task in the second task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular second task is completed only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion information for the particular second task indicate that the particular second task passed respective inspections; and

based on updated task completion information in the second task schedule, automatically updating the corresponding aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule, wherein the aggregated task

completion information in the project management schedule is based on an aggregation of the corresponding task completion information in the first and second task schedules

~~wherein the task completion information associated with the particular second task in the second task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular second task is completed only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion information for the particular second task indicate that the particular second task passed respective inspections; and~~

~~based on updated task completion information in the second task schedule, automatically updating the corresponding aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule, wherein the aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule is based on an aggregation of the corresponding task completion information in the first and second task schedules.~~

27-28. (canceled)

29. (currently amended) A computer system comprising:  
a network interface; and  
one or more processors connected to the network interface, the one or more processors configured for executing one or more sequences of instructions which, when executed, cause the one or more processors to perform the steps of:  
linking a first inspection form to a first task schedule associated with a first individual assigned to perform a list of tasks represented in the first task schedule, wherein a task reference field in the first inspection form is mapped to corresponding first task schedule information in the first task schedule and wherein an inspection result field in the first inspection form is mapped to task completion information in the first task schedule;  
receiving first inspection results corresponding to a completed first inspection form over a network, wherein the inspection result field in the completed first inspection form indicates whether a particular first task identified in the corresponding task reference field has passed inspection;

automatically updating the task completion information in the first task schedule based on the inspection result field in the completed first inspection form; wherein the task completion information associated with the particular first task in the first task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular first task is completed only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion information for the particular first task indicate that the particular first task passed respective inspections;

linking the first task schedule to a corresponding project management schedule, wherein particular fields in the first task schedule are mapped to corresponding fields in the project management schedule;

based on updated task completion information in the first task schedule, automatically updating corresponding aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule;

linking a second inspection form to a second task schedule associated with a second individual assigned to perform a list of tasks represented in the second task schedule, wherein a task reference field in the second inspection form is mapped to corresponding second task schedule information in the second task schedule and wherein an inspection result field in the second inspection form is mapped to task completion information in the second task schedule;

linking the second task schedule to the corresponding project management schedule, wherein particular fields in the second task schedule are mapped to corresponding fields in the [[second]] project management schedule;

receiving second inspection results corresponding to a completed second inspection form over the network, wherein the inspection result field in the completed second inspection form indicates whether a particular second task identified in the corresponding task reference field has passed inspection;

automatically updating the task completion information in the second task schedule based on the inspection result field in the completed second inspection form, wherein the task completion information associated with the particular second task in the second task schedule is updated to indicate that the particular second task is completed only if all inspection results fields mapped to task completion

information for the particular second task indicate that the particular second task passed respective inspections; and

based on updated task completion information in the second task schedule, automatically updating the corresponding aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule, wherein the aggregated task completion information in the project management schedule is based on an aggregation of the corresponding task completion information in the first and second task schedules.

30-31. (canceled)

REMARKS

Prior to entry of this amendment under 37 CFR 1.312, Claims 2-5, 13, 14, 19, 23, 26 and 29 were pending in the application, with all claims allowed. By this response, no claims are added or canceled. Hence, Claims 2-5, 13, 14, 19, 23, 26 and 29 are still pending in the application upon entry of this amendment.

Claims 23, 26, and 29 are amended herein to correct errors in the Examiner's Amendment included with the Notice of Allowability. No new matter is introduced in the application by way of these claim amendments and no additional examination is required.

It is again noted that the Swenson reference (U.S. Pat. No. 5,490,097) was never included in the "Notice of References Cited" (Form PTO-892) accompanying the first Office Action or the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee(s) Due. It is requested that the Swenson reference formally be made of record by including the reference on a "Notice of References Cited" or otherwise ensured inclusion on the cover of any patents issuing from the present application.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

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